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Subject: Yearly Certification of Roadway Mileage

**It is important that the enclosed map and certification form be signed by a designated county official and returned to the Montana Department of Transportation by April 28, 2008.**

Each year the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) is required to determine fuel tax allocations distributed to Montana's cities, counties, and consolidated city-county governments set forth in 15-70-101 MCA, as amended.

One of the factors used to calculate the amount allocated to each local entity is road mileage. Mileages for counties consist of any road exclusive of the National Highway and Primary Systems within the county boundary and outside any incorporated city limits that also meet the criteria of "open to public travel" as stated below.

The enclosed map(s) should be reviewed for completeness and accuracy. Additions (with approximate length), deletions and names or surface type updates should be identified on the map and returned to us along with the signed certification form. If your changes are available in an electronic GIS format, we would appreciate it being sent as well. We have provided two maps - please return one and keep the other for your records.

Due to the scale and size of some county maps, we have included a number of insets for large congested areas.

Please note; if a road does not appear on the map, it will not be in our database and will not be included in the formula that computes your fuel tax allocations. **DO NOT SHOW NON-EXISTENT, PLATTED nor RESTRICTED ROADS.**

MDT conducts field inventories yearly to collect spatial representations (using GPS) and to ensure newly added roads are "open to public travel" as defined below:

Open to Public Travel is defined as a segment of road available for public use except during periods of extreme weather or emergency conditions, passable by a 2-wheel drive passenger car and open to the general public. Restrictions include; primitive trails, driveway to a single residence, field access roads, parking lots, restrictive gates, orange markings on post or "No Trespassing" sign (MCA 45-6-201).

Our database is continuously updated. In addition to the annual returns from the cities and counties, results from field reviews and the discovery of errors can have an effect on the mileage numbers from year to year.

Roads within the National Forest should not be included as part of your review. Eligibility and attribute information for these roads are determined by the National Forest Service.

Please contact Andrea West at 444-6119 or myself at 444-6111 with any questions.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Ed Ereth, Supervisor  
Road Inventory and Mapping

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Department of Transportation  
Data and Statistics Bureau  
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### ***Mileage Certification Form***

In accordance with the provisions of Section 15-70-101, M.C.A., it is hereby certified that the Road mileage for Ravalli County, exclusive of the National Highway System (including Interstate) and Primary System, is as follows:

<i>Roads Outside of Cities</i>	<i>Current Mileage</i>	<i>Added Mileage (Approximate)</i>	<i>Deleted Mileage (Approximate)</i>	<i>Adjusted Mileage (Approximate)</i>
Off-System	1752.350			
Secondary/Urban System	58.703	N/A	N/A	58.703
TOTAL	1811.053			

Any added or deleted mileage amount shown above may differ from the calculated mileages derived using MDT's process. Also, MDT reserves the right to verify any additions or deletions of roads that would appreciably affect the fuel tax allocation program. If the number of miles to be added or deleted are significant, the verification process would occur during the summer of 2008 and eligible routes would be included as part of the calculations for the following year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Official Title)

\_\_\_\_\_, Montana  
(County)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE:** PLEASE RETURN THIS CERTIFICATION FORM ALONG WITH THE SIGNED MAP ON OR BEFORE  
APRIL 28, 2008 FOR FUEL TAX ALLOCATION.